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**Case No. TO-2000-301**

# ORDER DIRECTING STAFF REPORT

On October 28, 1999, Sprint Missouri, Inc. (Sprint), filed a request for termination of quarterly 4-TEL tests. Sprint notes that pursuant to a stipulation and agreement regarding quality of service in Case No. TR-93-181, Sprint has been performing 4-TEL tests, at the "C" level of sensitivity, of all Sprint wire centers within the Commission's jurisdiction. Sprint states that it has conducted the tests and reported the results to Staff, as required, for approximately six years and that the tests have disclosed no significant problems in Sprint's network. Sprint states that to its knowledge, it is the only telecommunications company performing the test and providing the results to Staff. Sprint has discussed the termination of these tests and reports with Staff and the Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), and neither opposes terminating this test and quarterly report.

The Commission believes that appropriate input from the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) will assist in the resolution of this matter. OPC may respond as well.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. That the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and any other party wishing to respond shall do so no later than December 3, 1999.

2. That this order shall become effective on November 16, 1999.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



**Dale Hardy Roberts**  
**Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge**

( S E A L )

Vicky Ruth, Regulatory Law Judge,  
by delegation of authority pursuant  
to 4 CSR 240-2.120(1) (November 30,  
1995) and Section 386.240, RSMo 1994.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 3rd day of November, 1999.

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